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ENP03FT323047 3 [REDACTED] R113-67 DAILY SIGINT SUMMARY FOR 23 APRIL 1967

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3. COMINT REFLECTIONS OF DRV SAM ACTIVITY FOR 20 APRIL. BETWEEN 0515 AND 0540 THE SAM BATTALION LOCATED AT THE SITE AT 20-46N 106-36E PASSED A POST LAUNCH REPORT CONCERNING A MISSILE LAUNCH AT 0407 OR 0408. PRIOR TO BEGINNING THE POST LAUNCHREPORT THE SPEAKER INDICATED THAT A TRAGET HAD BEEN DESTROYED. HOWEVER, LATER INDICATIONS WERE THAT THE LAUNCH HAD BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL AND THE TARGET HAD FLOWN AWAY. SEVERAL REFERENCES TO THE PRESENCE OF ECM IN THE AREA DURING THE TIME OF THE ACTIVITY WERE NOTED BUT NO MENTION WAS MADE TO IT'S EFFECTIVENESS AGAINST THE SAM SYSTEM. BETWEEN 0800 AND 0847 COMMUNICATIONS INDICATED THE SHOOTDOWN OF AN UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT AT 0832. THE SAM BATTALION RESPONSIBLE FOR THE REPORTED SHOOTDOWN IS LOCATED AT THE SITE AT 20-53N 106-33E AND EXPENDED ONE MISSILE TO ACCOMPLISH THE DESTRUCTION OF THE UNIDENTIFIED TARGET. THE TARGET, WAS INITIALLY REFLECTED IN THE GENERAL AREA APPROXIMATELY 10 NM NORTH OF HAIPHONG ON NORTHERLY HEADING AT 0829. SUBSEQUENT TRACKING INDICATED THAT THE TARGET MADE A CIRCULAR TURN TO THE RIGHT AND WAS LACATED AT 21-00N 106-39E WHEN THE MISSILE LAUNCH WAS NOTED. TWO ADDITIONAL POSITIONS WERE NOTED WITH THE FINAL BEING APPROXIMATELY 4 NM SOUTHEAST OF THE LAUNCH POSITION. SUBSEQUENT CON- VERSATION INDICATED THE SPEAKERS INVOLVED BELIEVED A SHOOTDOWN HAD BEEN ACCOMPLISHED BY THE SAM SITEDS ON MISSILE. FURTHER POST LAUNCH CONVERSATION INDICATED SEVERAL OTHER SAM BATTALIONS WERE ATTEMPTING TO ENGAGE THIS AND OTHER TARGETS IN THE SAME GENERAL AREA AND POSSIBLY INDICATES ANOTHER MISSILE LAUNCH BY ANOTHER SITE APPROXIMATELY 3 TO 5 MINUTES LATER. IN A POST ACTIVITY REPORT PASSED BY THES SAM SITE AT 21-10N 105-30E BETWEEN 0807 AND 0837 IT WAS REVEALED THAT ON F-105 OF A FLIGHT OF TWO WAS DESTROYED AT AN UNSPECIFIED TIME. THE FLIGHT WAS REPORTEDLY DIVING TO ATTACK AN UNDCATIFIED TARGET WHEN ENGAGED AND ONE WAS REPORTEDLY DESTROYED. NO MENTION WAS MADE TO THE WEAPONS SYSTEM RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SHOOT DWN BUT INDICATIONS ARE THAT IT WAS PROBABLY AAA UNITS. ONE PARACHUTE WAS REPORTEDLY OBSERVED COMING FROM THE DOWNED AIRCRAFT BUT NOTHING CONCERNING THE PILOTS WAS REFLECTED IN THE CONVERSATION. COMMENTS: AVAILABLE OPERATIONAL REPORTS FOR 20 APRIL INDICATE EXTENSIVE AIR STRIKES WERE CONDUCTED AGAINST SAM SITES IN THE HAIPHONG AREA DURING THE 0400 AND 0800 HOURS. ALL AIRCRAFT INVOLVED IN THESE STRIKES WERE U.S. NAVY LAUNCHED FROM THE USS KITTY HAWK AND DID NOT APPEAR TO BE ACTIVE 21 DEGREES NORTH LATITUDE. A NAVY A4E WAS SEVERELY DAMAGED IN THIS HAIPHONG AREA AT 0826 WHICH POSSIBLY CORRELATES WITH THE REPORTED SHOOTDOWN AT 0832. HOWEVER, ON 19 APRIL AN F-105 WAS REPORTED DOWNED BY PROBABLE AAA FIRE IN THE AREA SOUTHWEST OF HANOI AND MAY CORRELATE WITH THE POST ACTIVITY REPORT PASSED

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BY THE SAM SITE AT 21-10N 105-30E ON 20 APRIL. ~~(S E C R E T SAVIN)~~ 4. ~~(CFNVM AAA~~
VISUAL OBSERVATION FACILITIES REPORT POSSIBLE DOWNING OF US STRIKE AIRCRAFT.
BETWEEN 210838 AND 210936 APRIL, ~~(CFNVM AAA~~ VISUAL OBSERVATION FACILITIES,
POSSIBLY LOCATED IN THE NORTHEASTERN CORNER OF THE DRV, MADE REFERENCE TO THE
POSSIBLE DOWNING OF A U.S. STRIKE AIRCRAFT. NO REFERENCE TO THE EXACT LOCATION
OF THIS ACTIVITY WAS NOTED, ALTHOUGH UNEQUATED PLACEMANES FU YAN FU YA, FU
HSIA, TIEN K'UNG AND PEI NING WERE OBSERVED. [REDACTED]

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F-105'S HEADING TOWARD OUR ((EMPLACEMENT)). DRV AIR SURVEILLANCE FACILITIES
WERE NOTED ACTIVE DURING THIS PERIOD OF TIME, TRACKING HOSTILE AIRCRAFT IN THE
BAC GIANG AND KEP AREAS. COMMENTS COLLATERAL INFORMATION FOR 21 APRIL DOES NOT
REPORT ANY U.S. AIRCRAFT LOSSES OR DAMAGE. HOWEVER, A TOTAL OF 24 F-105 AND
8F4C AIRCRAFT WERE FORECAST TO STRIKE THE BAC GIANG AMMO STORAGE DEPOT (21-18N
106-09E) AND THE KEP RAILROAD YARD (21-25N 106-18E), WITH 8F-105 AIRCRAFT
SCHEDULED TO FLY HUNTER/KILLER AND FLAK SUP- PRESSION MISSIONS. ~~(S E C R E T~~
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